

**Amendments to the Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A method for treating diabetic neuropathy comprising administering to a patient in need of treatment an effective amount of a synergistic combination of a NK<sub>1</sub> receptor antagonist selected from [2-(1*H*-indol-yl)-1-methyl-1-(1-phenyl-ethylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-carbamic acid benzofuran-2-ylmethylester [R-(R\*,S\*)] and (2-methoxy-benzyl)-((2*S*,3*S*)-2-phenyl-piperidin-3-yl)-amine; and a GABA analog selected from gabapentin and pregabalin.
2. (Original) A method of Claim 1 wherein the ratio of the GABA analog relative to the NK<sub>1</sub> receptor antagonist is from 50:1 to 1:1 expressed as parts by weight.
3. (Original) A method according to Claim 1 wherein the ratio of the GABA analog relative to the NK<sub>1</sub> receptor antagonist is 20:1 expressed as parts by weight.
4. (Original) A method according to Claim 1 wherein the NK<sub>1</sub> receptor antagonist is [2-(1*H*-indol-yl)-1-methyl-1-(1-phenyl-ethylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-carbamic acid benzofuran-2-ylmethylester [R-(R\*,S\*)].
5. (Original) A method according to Claim 1 wherein the GABA analog is gabapentin.
6. (Original) A method according to Claim 1 wherein the GABA analog is pregabalin.
7. (Previously presented) A method according to Claim 1 employing [2-(1*H*-indol-3-yl)-1-methyl-1-(1-phenyl-ethylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-carbamic acid benzofuran-2-ylmethyl ester[R-(R\*,S\*)] and gabapentin.
8. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 1 employing [2-(1*H*-indol-3-yl)-1-methyl-1-(1-phenyl-ethylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-carbamic acid benzofuran-2-ylmethyl ester[R-(R\*,S\*)] and pregabalin.
9. (Canceled)
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19. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 1 wherein the NK<sub>1</sub> receptor antagonist is (2-methoxy-benzyl)-((2S,3S)-2-phenyl-piperidin-3-yl)-amine.

20. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 1 employing (2-methoxy-benzyl)-((2S,3S)-2-phenyl-piperidin-3-yl)-amine and gabapentin.

21. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 1 employing (2-(1*H*-indol-yl)-1-methyl-1-(1-phenyl-ethylcarbamoyl)-ethyl)-carbamic acid benzofuran-2-ylmethylester [R-(R\*,S\*)] and pregabalin.

22. (Canceled)

23. (Canceled)